

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A system for providing event content to a system user, comprising:  
an event server configured to manage said event content, said event  
5 server providing a restricted access to said event content over an  
electronic network; and  
a user device configured to communicate with said event server over  
said electronic network by performing a wireless communications  
procedure, said user device initially providing at least one profile  
10 to said event server, said event server responsively utilizing said  
at least one profile for associating said system user with a user  
community to thereby optimally provide said event content to  
said user device.

15 2. The system of claim 1 wherein said event content includes restricted  
information that is related to at least one of said user community, a specified  
event, an event location, and one or more participants in said specified event,  
and wherein said user device is implemented as at least one of a personal  
digital assistant device, a cellular telephone device, a computer device, and a  
20 portable wireless telecommunications device.

3. The system of claim 1 wherein said user device communicates with  
said event server through one or more wireless base station transceivers and  
one or more local area networks, said user device communicating with said  
25 event server through at least one of a first direct path from said one or more  
local area networks, an indirect path from said one or more local area  
networks through an Internet network, and a second direct path from said  
user device directly through said Internet network.

4. The system of claim 1 wherein said user device includes a processor, a display, a device memory, a sound module, one or more user interfaces, and input/output interfaces, said input/output interfaces including a wireless communications interface, a network interface, and a removable memory interface, said device memory including application software, an operating system, device content information, user data including said at least one profile, a login/configuration module, a download module for updating said application software, a profile module for managing said at least one profile, an access rights module, video streaming support services, a metadata module for managing ancillary data related to a particular event, and a community module for communicating with various community services on said event server, said profile module including a profile creator for creating and editing said at least one profile, a profile selector for choosing said at least one profile to be sent to said event server, and a profile analyzer for accessing and analyzing multiple profiles from other system users in said electronic network,.

5. The system of claim 1 wherein said user device creates and locally stores user data related to said system user for sending to said event server to facilitate optimally providing said event content, said user data including said at least one profile, and at least one of event location information, and access rights.

6. The system of claim 1 wherein said event server includes a processor, a display, a server memory, one or more user interfaces, and input/output interfaces, said server memory including application software, an operating system, server content information, users information including users  
 5 profiles for multiple system users of multiple user devices in said electronic network, a login/configuration manager, an upload module for updating device application software, a profile manager for managing said users profiles, an access rights manager for managing said restricted access to said event content, a video streaming manager, a metadata manager, a  
 10 community manager for managing community services related to said user community, and a community database containing community information related to said user community.

7. The system of claim 1 wherein said at least one profile comprises a real  
 15 user profile that includes authentic information related to said system user, said user device enforcing a strict security protocol to protect said real user profile, said strict security protocol including an encryption procedure to encrypt said real user profile prior to transmitting said real user profile to said event server.

20 8. The system of claim 1 wherein said at least one profile comprises a device profile that includes configuration and functionality information for said user device, said device profile being automatically maintained and updated by said user device.

25 9. The system of claim 1 wherein said at least one profile comprises a network profile that includes configuration and functionality information for an electronic network used by said system user together with said user device, said network profile being automatically maintained and updated by  
 30 one of said user device and another dedicated network entity.

10. The system of claim 1 wherein said at least one profile comprises a personality profile that includes at least one of authentic information and non-authentic information regarding selected personal attributes of said system user, said system user creating and locally storing said personality profile by utilizing said user device.

11. The system of claim 1 wherein said at least one profile comprises a character profile that includes at least one of authentic information and non-authentic information regarding selected identification characteristics of said system user, said system user creating and locally storing said character profile by utilizing said user device, said character profile including a user nickname.

12. The system of claim 1 wherein a community manager of said event server supports community services related to said user community, said community services including at least one of a community database, an electronic community message service, and a real-time electronic community discussion forum, said event server associating said system user with said user community after receiving and analyzing said at least one profile from said user device, a community module of said user device then receiving said restricted access to said community services.

13. The system of claim 1 wherein said user device creates a device profile corresponding to said user device, and wherein said system user utilizes said user device to create one or more personality profiles, said user device then storing said device profile and said one or more personality profiles into a local device memory coupled to said user device.

14. The system of claim 13 wherein said system user utilizes said user device to perform a login procedure for accessing community services related to said user community on said event server, said user device transmitting said device profile to said event server during said login procedure.

15. The system of claim 14 wherein, after said login procedure, said system user utilizes said user device to perform a service selection procedure for accessing a particular community service from said event server.

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16. The system of claim 15 wherein said system user utilizes a user interface on said user device to perform a profile selection procedure for choosing and sending a selected user profile to said event server.

10 17. The system of claim 16 wherein said system user utilizes said user interface on said user device to perform one of a profile creation procedure and a profile editing procedure to produce said selected user profile.

15 18. The system of claim 16 wherein, after said user device sends said selected user profile to said event server, said event server connects said user device to said community services, said system user then utilizing said user device to download incoming community information related to said user community from said event server, said system user also utilizing said user device to transmit outgoing community information related to said user  
20 community to said event server.

19. The system of claim 15 wherein said system user utilizes a user interface on said user device to create and send a profiles request to said event server for requesting users information including multiple profiles  
25 information from other system users in said electronic network, said event server responsively servicing said profiles request and returning said users information to said user device.

20. The system of claim 19 wherein said system user utilizes a profile  
30 analyzer of said user device to view and analyze said users information from said event server before performing an informed profile selection procedure for choosing and sending a selected user profile to said event server.

21. A method for providing event content to a system user, comprising the steps of:

5 managing said event content with an event server that provides a restricted access to said event content over an electronic network; and  
communicating with said event server over said electronic network with a user device that performs a wireless communications procedure, said user device initially providing at least one profile to said event server, said event server responsively utilizing said  
10 at least one profile for associating said system user with a user community to thereby optimally provide said event content to said user device.

15 22. The method of claim 21 wherein said event content includes restricted information that is related to at least one of said user community, a specified event, an event location, and one or more participants in said specified event, and wherein said user device is implemented as at least one of a personal digital assistant device, a cellular telephone device, a computer device, and a  
20 portable wireless telecommunications device.

23. The method of claim 21 wherein said user device communicates with said event server through one or more wireless base station transceivers and one or more local area networks, said user device communicating with said  
25 event server through at least one of a first direct path from said one or more local area networks, an indirect path from said one or more local area networks through an Internet network, and a second direct path from said user device directly through said Internet network.

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24. The method of claim 21 wherein said user device includes a processor, a display, a device memory, a sound module, one or more user interfaces, and input/output interfaces, said input/output interfaces including a wireless communications interface, a network interface, and a removable  
5 memory interface, said device memory including application software, an operating system, device content information, user data including said at least one profile, a login/configuration module, a download module for updating said application software, a profile module for managing said at least one profile, an access rights module, video streaming support services, a  
10 metadata module for managing ancillary data related to a particular event, and a community module for communicating with various community services on said event server, said profile module including a profile creator for creating and editing said at least one profile, a profile selector for choosing said at least one profile to be sent to said event server, and a profile analyzer  
15 for accessing and analyzing multiple profiles from other system users in said electronic network,.

25. The method of claim 21 wherein said user device creates and locally stores user data related to said system user for sending to said event server  
20 to facilitate optimally providing said event content, said user data including said at least one profile, and at least one of event location information, and access rights.

26. The method of claim 21 wherein said event server includes a processor, a display, a server memory, one or more user interfaces, and input/output interfaces, said server memory including application software, an operating system, server content information, users information including users  
5 profiles for multiple system users of multiple user devices in said electronic network, a login/configuration manager, an upload module for updating device application software, a profile manager for managing said users profiles, an access rights manager for managing said restricted access to said event content, a video streaming manager, a metadata manager, a  
10 community manager for managing community services related to said user community, and a community database containing community information related to said user community.

27. The method of claim 21 wherein said at least one profile comprises a  
15 real user profile that includes authentic information related to said system user, said user device enforcing a strict security protocol to protect said real user profile, said strict security protocol including an encryption procedure to encrypt said real user profile prior to transmitting said real user profile to said event server.

28. The method of claim 21 wherein said at least one profile comprises a  
20 device profile that includes configuration and functionality information for said user device, said device profile being automatically maintained and updated by said user device.

29. The method of claim 21 wherein said at least one profile comprises a  
25 network profile that includes configuration and functionality information for an electronic network used by said system user together with said user device, said network profile being automatically maintained and updated by  
30 one of said user device and another dedicated network entity.



30. The method of claim 21 wherein said at least one profile comprises a personality profile that includes at least one of authentic information and non-authentic information regarding selected personal attributes of said system user, said system user creating and locally storing said personality profile by utilizing said user device.

31. The method of claim 21 wherein said at least one profile comprises a character profile that includes at least one of authentic information and non-authentic information regarding selected identification characteristics of said system user, said system user creating and locally storing said character profile by utilizing said user device, said character profile including a user nickname.

32. The method of claim 21 wherein a community manager of said event server supports community services related to said user community, said community services including at least one of a community database, an electronic community message service, and a real-time electronic community discussion forum, said event server associating said system user with said user community after receiving and analyzing said at least one profile from said user device, a community module of said user device then receiving said restricted access to said community services.

33. The method of claim 21 wherein said user device creates a device profile corresponding to said user device, and wherein said system user utilizes said user device to create one or more personality profiles, said user device then storing said device profile and said one or more personality profiles into a local device memory coupled to said user device.

34. The method of claim 33 wherein said system user utilizes said user device to perform a login procedure for accessing community services related to said user community on said event server, said user device transmitting said device profile to said event server during said login procedure.

35. The method of claim 34 wherein, after said login procedure, said system user utilizes said user device to perform a service selection procedure for accessing a particular community service from said event server.

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36. The method of claim 35 wherein said system user utilizes a user interface on said user device to perform a profile selection procedure for choosing and sending a selected user profile to said event server.

10 37. The method of claim 36 wherein said system user utilizes said user interface on said user device to perform one of a profile creation procedure and a profile editing procedure to produce said selected user profile.

38. The method of claim 36 wherein, after said user device sends said  
15 selected user profile to said event server, said event server connects said user device to said community services, said system user then utilizing said user device to download incoming community information related to said user community from said event server, said system user also utilizing said user device to transmit outgoing community information related to said user  
20 community to said event server.

39. The method of claim 35 wherein said system user utilizes a user interface on said user device to create and send a profiles request to said event server for requesting users information including multiple profiles  
25 information from other system users in said electronic network, said event server responsively servicing said profiles request and returning said users information to said user device.

40. The method of claim 39 wherein said system user utilizes a profile  
30 analyzer of said user device to view and analyze said users information from said event server before performing an informed profile selection procedure for choosing and sending a selected user profile to said event server.

41. The method of claim 1 wherein a profile selector of said user device maintains and updates a profile recipient list of any entities that have received said at least one profile.

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42. A computer-readable medium comprising program instructions for providing event content to a system user by performing the steps of:

managing said event content with an event server that provides a restricted access to said event content over an electronic network; and

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communicating with said event server over said electronic network with a user device that performs a wireless communications procedure, said user device initially providing at least one profile to said event server, said event server responsively utilizing said at least one profile for associating said system user with a user community to thereby optimally provide said event content to said user device.

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43. A system for providing event content to a system user, comprising:

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means for managing said event content, said means for managing providing a restricted access to said event content over an electronic network; and

means for communicating with said means for managing over said electronic network by performing a wireless communications procedure, said means for communicating initially providing at least one profile to said event server, said means for managing responsively utilizing said at least one profile for associating said system user with a user community to thereby optimally provide said event content to said means for communicating.

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44. A system for providing event content to a system user, comprising:  
an event server configured to manage said event content, said event  
server providing an access to said event content over an  
electronic network; and

5 a user device configured to communicate with said event server over  
said electronic network by performing a wireless communications  
procedure, said user device initially providing at least one profile  
to said event server, said event server responsively utilizing said  
at least one profile to optimally provide said event content to said  
10 user device.